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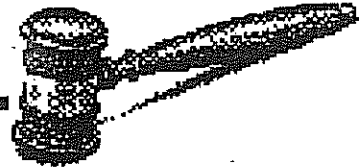
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From the Desk



of the Director

Time is really flying by! It's hard to believe 2007 is half gone. By the time you receive this Journal, the 27th Annual Gathering will be over, except for the memories.

Our next major event will be our participation in the Stonewall Jackson Jubilee over Labor Day weekend. HCPD will again be selling sarsaparilla and WV Books. We have several talented authors who will be doing book-signing during the week-end. All will be from West Virginia or their books will be about or take place in West Virginia. We would invite all of you to stop by the Jubilee for a great time and some fantastic heritage crafts and music. We also invite anyone who is visiting to stop by and spend an hour or two selling sarsaparilla! It's fun and you will be helping HCPD earn some dollars for the treasury.

Our next event will be our Annual Roast Beef Dinner which has been scheduled for October 12, 2008. More details will be forthcoming in the electronic newsletter.

We are working very hard on the Lewis County Death Record books and hope to have at least one volume published in the very near future. This project has been a tremendous undertaking and has involved countless volunteer hours from transcribing records to computer entry to proofreading to final work-up.

We hope everyone is having a great summer working on their research and visiting ancestral sites. We hope you will come and visit us! We have had numerous visitors to the Library from all over this summer. It is so nice to meet our members in person and hopefully, help them to find the information they need to fill-in the gaps in their family history. That's the part of the job that our staff and volunteers really enjoy. If we can be of assistance to you in your research, please contact us at hcpd@hackerscreek.com.

Enclosed with this Journal is a supplement to the Trading Post which lists the newest books we have available for sale in our bookstore. Please look it over. Books may be ordered by sending a check to HCPD or on our secure website at www.hackerscreek.com.

Betty Ann

THE IMPORTANT USE OF QUERIES

By Bette Butcher TOPP

I cannot tell you how important the use of queries can be in our genealogical research. I preach that constantly in the programs that I give and practically brow-beat them all to learn to write an intelligent one.

Queries are truly one of our most important tools. I have used them since 1974 when I took my first genealogy class. Probably because the instructor also pounded them into our brains.

At one time I could not get any further on my great grandfather on my mothers line. Benjamin **MOREE** was born in Canton Bern, Switzerland. That was all I knew and only because Mother had written it in my baby book. That had to be back in the dark ages!

Her father, George DeForest **MOREE**, was a fascinating man. For a little background - he made and lost a lot of money through his life time, starting out with farms, then stock, and then real estate. Because Mother (Gladys Vernen **MOREE BUTCHER**) was the youngest of four with a nine year difference from her sister, she got the best of his world. They traveled to what we now call 'spas', he had a new car "Rio's" every few years and had beautiful clothes, etc. A large man well over six foot, he would never talk about his own father. I always wondered why. As the only son in a family of five girls, he would have inherited the large farm but chose not to take it and made the remark - "I only want the coins that held down my father's eyes." Wow! What did that mean?

SO, I put a query in places he had lived and received a letter that gave me Benjamin's will, that had been in her family. I had not been able to find it previously. It seemed that George had borrowed some money from his father and in the will, Benjamin said George would get the farm, less X number of money plus interest as he had not paid back the loan. Obviously George had guilt over the transaction with his father and hence, the remark.

I then placed a query in "The Swiss Connections" which is a published journal on those with Swiss ancestry. Asking about the Moree family of Benjamin and his father, Rudolph. Benjamin had

come to America with his family at the age of 5. I received a manila envelope from a professional researcher in Bern, Switzerland that gave me the original spelling - **MOR'I** and the villages they had come from, along with documents that showed his sisters births, and his parents marriage. Also Rudolph and his wife Anna (**BIEDERMAN**) had listed their "banns" (intended marriage) in two different parishes in Jen as well as Herminger, in Bern, Switz. I would never have found that. That also gave me both of their fathers names and where they were 'citizens' and that they were both deceased. I sent a check to this researcher immediately. He had just happened to have been in the Archives and seeing the Journal had taken the time to look up the family and sent me all this wonderful material. Since that time, I have found their arrival in the U.S. through Castle Gardens (before Ellis Island on Ancestry) immigrations.

My husband is first generation Hungarian and Estonian. What did I know about either place? I took a chance and put a query on the Baltic web sites that I found on Cyndi's List - and then zeroed in on Estonia. Within two weeks I had heard from relatives of his father, John, who was born in Talin, Estonia and left home at the age of 14, joining the Norwegian Marines, then the English and eventually jumping ship in New York, then became a citizen. One was the granddaughter of his sister. She filled me in on the first two generations and then lo and behold - her husband was doing research and using Family Tree Maker. So he sent me all the info they had on John's father. Even pictures (that we had never seen) that his father had sent back to Estonia for his sister and parents.

You cannot believe how much we learned. Milvi's husband also spoke Russian and sent records of baptism, marriages, burial. He translated them for us. As you probably know, Estonia seemed to be invaded by Russia, a couple of times, as well as other countries.

We found that his father's family had lived in the same village and on the same homestead since **1803**. We also were put in touch with another cousin, who is a immunologist at the University of Tartu. It seems that the family language was German, but they all spoke Estonian of course, some Russian and Italian as well as French. Imagine how that makes you feel? But they have all been so forthcoming in telling us about their culture, their history, sharing their family with us as well as pictures. One is a concert pianist and

her mother teaches music in the local school system as well as performs with the symphony.

I would never have learned all the above information without the use of queries – wherever and whenever.

To place a query – do it in every place they lived, every region. State their names, birth/death/marriage dates/spouses if you know them. You have to give some time frame. Location is extremely important. Ask the question simply of what you are looking for in your research. You can even state a few of the records you have found and what you need.

***Trust me – they really do work!!! Good luck to you all –
Just do some queries!***

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Addition to: "I Remember"

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The following children should be added to the family of Dr. Patrick **MCCAN** and Isabella Ann Geary **MCCAN**.

Esther Elizabeth **MCCANN**, born 21 February 1857, married Issac P. **SMITH** 23 Nov 1881

Evangeline Caroline **MCCANN**, born 20 Dec 1859

JOHN BEE DAVIS

From England to West Virginia

By E. Ethel NIELSEN

John Bee DAVIS was the son of Christian Anderson DAVIS and Florence Virginia DYE (1876-1946). He was born in Doddridge County November 25, 1867 and died April 22, 1950. John Bee DAVIS represents just one small segment of the many pioneer kinships that resulted from the landing of John Winthrop's party in America in 1630; a period that represents approximately 300 years -1630-1950! Nine generations later, John Bee is born in Clarksburg and his ancestors include connections to the pioneer families of BEE, GRIFFIN, HARBERT, LOOFBORROW, BRADSTREET, DUDLEY, and DYE.

Although no proof exists, it is believed the middle name of John Bee was from a connection with Ephraim BEE who had married Catherine DAVIS. Both families lived in Doddridge County; however, John Bee's relationship to Catherine DAVIS has never been established. Ephraim BEE had married Catherine DAVIS June 19, 1823. When the new State of West Virginia was formed in 1863, during the Civil War, Ephraim BEE served in the first legislature. Later, he served as postmaster for West Union. When Doddridge County was formed from Harrison and Ritchie Counties, along with his brother-in-law Nathan DAVIS, they wanted West Union to be named the county seat. Ephraim was the son of Asa BEE who had served in the Revolution, as did John Bee's ancestor William DAVIS with wife Jean.

John Bee's great-great grandfather William DAVIS was on the Clarksburg Grand Jury in 1785; this same William DAVIS was also the delegate from the Simpson Creek Church to the Redstone Church Annual Meeting held at Great Bethel, Monongalia County, Va on Oct. 13, 1777.

John Bee's father, Christian Anderson, married Sarah Jane GRIFFIN in 1847, Harrison County. Sarah Jane was the daughter of James Scarff GRIFFIN. Pages 40-44 in the book, "A Griffin and Related Families History", Paul GRIFFIN gives a history of the Jones' Run Baptist Church located in Lumberport, W.Va. The Jones Run Church was organized in 1831 as the Ten Mile Church and the name was changed in December, 1855 to Jones' Run; the members came out of the Simpson Creek, Coons Run and Hepzibah Churches. The

descendants of John Bee and James Scarff **GRIFFIN** have contributed much to the progress of the Jones' Run Church. James Scarff was baptized by Rev. John **ALLEN** at their meeting in July, 1831; in January, 1833, he was licensed by the church to exercise his gifts of singing, prayer and preaching in the bounds of the Association. On October 8th, 1836, James **SCARFF** was ordained to the full work of the gospel ministry. He served as pastor from Sept. 21, 1850 until July 11, 1857. James **SCARFF** was born in Frederick County and is buried in Flemington, W.Va., which is near Clarksburg. He had married Martha **HARBERT**, in 1820, the daughter of John Harbert.

Martha's father, John **HARBERT** (1769-1853), was six years old when his father Thomas **HARBERT** moved to the West Fork of the Monongahela River to a place called Jones Run. This was the 400 acres Thomas had been assigned by John Jones and it was here at the Harbert's Blockhouse that John's father Thomas was killed by Indians in 1778. The Harbert land was near the present city of Lumberport in Harrison Co. WV. In 1779 the legislature provided for western settlers to obtain title to the lands on which they were living. Previously they had been squatters.

John **HARBERT** filed a claim in Harrison County 21 June 1834 for a pension based on his service in the revolutionary war for six months in 1783. His claim was never approved. He applied for a pension (No. 4585) saying he was 67 or 68 years old and that he was stationed at Powers Fort at Grundy's blockhouse. He said he served as much as six months but could not say whether it was before or after the year 1783, nor how old he was at the time. Captain Wm **ROBINSON** was in command of the station during his service. He lived with his father who had a settlement within eight miles of the Fort.

According to the book "Old Grist Mills of Harrison County", John **HARBERT** petitioned the court March 3, 1823, for permission to erect a mill on his land on the left-hand fork of Tenmile Creek. The permit was granted and he erected a dam and built a Water Saw and Grist Mill. He later conveyed the Mill to his grandson Benjamin who operated it for 16 years; Benjamin then conveyed it to his son Francis in 1867. The mill was a short distance from the town of Sardis. John **HARBERT** married Sarah **LOOFBORROW**, July 22, 1789, daughter of John Wade **LOOFBORROW** who had served in the 8th Battalion, Captain James **YOUNG'S** Company commanded by Col. Abraham Smith in 1779.

The father, John **LOOFBORROW**, accompanied his son John Wade **LOOFBORROW** (1746-1824) when he came to West Virginia, sometime before 1788. John Wade served in Clarksburg as a Baptist Minister for several years. He married many couples. John Wade is listed along with the names of those who voted at the Court House in Clarksburg, Harrison County, in October, 1788. At this election, George **WASHINGTON** was elected President. John **WADE'S** father John **LOOFBORROW** (1692-unknown) had married Abigail **WADE**, the daughter of Nathaniel **WADE**, Jr. and his father Nathaniel **WADE**, Sr. had married Mercy **BRADSTREET** on October 31, 1672.

Mercy **BRADSTREET** was the daughter of Simon **BRADSTREET** and Ann **DUDLEY**. Simon **BRADSTREET** was governor of Mass. from 1679-86 and again 1688-1692. He was the son of Simon **BRADSTREET** and grandson of Rev. Simon **BRADSTREET** of Lincolnshire, England. He died age 94. (Ref: New Eng. Historical & Genealogical Register, Vol 1, page 95.)

The following history is taken from the New Hampshire Division of Historical Resources as listed on the web.

Simon **BRADSTREET** (1603 - 1697) was born at Lincolnshire, England and was a graduate of Emmanuel College, Cambridge (1620). He came to New England in 1630 and was an assistant in the Massachusetts Bay Company for forty-nine years (1630 - 1679). He also served as secretary to the Company (1630 - 1636).

In 1634 Simon **BRADSTREET** was sent with four others to negotiate with the colonies of Plymouth, New Haven and Connecticut about the possible formation of the New England Confederation. When the Confederation was formed, Simon **BRADSTREET** was one of two Massachusetts representatives to the organization for thirty-three years.

After the restoration of the English monarchy, in 1660, **BRADSTREET** went to England and succeeded in having King Charles II confirm the Massachusetts charter. He twice served as Royal Governor of Massachusetts (1679 - 1686, 1689 - 92). [The years 1686 - 1688 were spent trying to fight off King James II's efforts to cancel the colony's charter. King James appointed New York's Governor Andros to carry out this work.] In 1628, Simon **BRADSTREET** married Ann **DUDLEY**.

Ann **DUDLEY** nee Dudley **BRADSTREET** was the first poetess of America. Her poetry is used and appreciated as a part of the curriculum in colleges today. She and her descendants were among the elite of Massachusetts. The **DUDLEYS** are descendant from many royal houses of western Europe and a direct descendant of Charlemagne.

The following was taken from a rootsweb site.

Ann Dudley **BRADSTREET**

"I am obnoxious to each carping tongue,
Who says, my hand a needle better fits,
A Poets Pen, all scorne, I should thus wrong;
For such despighte they cast on female wits:

If what I doe prove well, it wo'nt advance,
They'l say its stolen, or else, it was by chance". - Bradstreet .

Anne Dudley **BRADSTREET** was America's first poet. Born about 1612 in Northampton, England, Anne was the first daughter and second of the five children of Thomas **DUDLEY** and Dorothy (**YORKE**) **DUDLEY**, who was, by Cotton **MATHER'S** account, "a gentlewoman whose extraction and estate were considerable." Her parents' marriage record was found in the Parish Register at Hardingstone, near Northampton, England: "Marriages Anno Dni 1606 - Thomas **DUDLEY** & Dorothy **YORK** married the 25th of April, 1603" (NEHGR 56:206 Notes and Queries).

Anne's childhood was spent in comparative luxury at Tattershall Castle in Sempringham, Lincolnshire, where her father was the chief steward of the vast estates of Theophilus Clinton, the Puritan Earl of Lincoln. Her upbringing was largely influenced by her father's position. She had private tutors, access to the Earl's library, the encouragement of a literate father who loved history, and a strict religious indoctrination.

Her young life was often interrupted by illness; she was bedridden with rheumatic fever and as an adolescent she almost died from smallpox. Shortly after recovering, Anne, aged 16, married Simon **BRADSTREET** in 1628. Simon was a protégé of the Earl's, nine years her senior, the son of a nonconformist minister and a graduate of Emmanuel College, Cambridge. In 1630, (Continued on p. 21))

Me & My Daddy...

In Search of Our Roots.....

by Nancy J MALCOMB, Summer of 2002

When we started this family tree project the fall of 2001, we never expected the depths it would take us to. First off, having known only my paternal grandmother and my aunts and uncles, I was somewhat taken aback to discover the size of the family! And then, in tracking down the surviving descendents of that family, we discovered how far-spread the family had become since those early days in Braxton County, West Virginia. And how big it was prior to those Braxton County years! Probably, the not knowing the realities is what allowed this all to come about – had I known what I was letting us in for, I might well have never begun!

My father's main line consists of **MALCOMB** and **WILLIAMS** on his father's side; **LAKE** and **PICKENS** on his mother's. For anyone unfamiliar with these lines, the **WILLIAMS**, **LAKE**, and **PICKENS** lines each contain virtually hundreds of thousands of descendents! Another thing, common to the times, was the proclivity for folks to name their offspring the same things they, themselves had been named. So you not only have, for example, 20 John Williams born around 1800, but when you get to 1820, you have another 20 of them or more! The most common names were John, Charles, George, Rebecca, Rachel, Sarah, Delila, and Martha.

And these were marrying folks. They married and married and married, right up til they went to the grave! And, sometimes, they didn't marry at all! And, sometimes, while it appeared they were marrying and marrying and marrying, in reality, they were just changing their names! A Mary on one record might be Polly on another. And down the line, she might show up as Sally or Bertha or whatever!

Stories have been told about my great-grandmother Martha Jane Williams **MALCOMB**, about how mean she could be. But when you look at her life, you realize that the woman spent 23 years pregnant! If that isn't enough to give a woman the orneries, I don't know what is!

And the talent! Great-grandfather, Charles Marion **MALCOMB**, played the fiddle. His sons played the fiddle or the guitar. The women sang. Others played the mandolin. From what I understand, when the menfolk got to playing, folks drifted over to sit and listen and enjoy the music and sometimes, to join in.

Anyhow, the year has been exciting, as me and my daddy search for our roots....

We first contacted our "known" kinfolk and got more names from them. Soon, I was talking to Kayo out in S. Dakota, Patty Ann **ALLAGAS** in Ohio, Artie **MAYSE** in Clarksburg. We were online, finding folks who connected and trying to fill in the blanks. Dad sat down and wrote out his memories of his childhood. Lists of all the folks he could remember from when he was growing up. And lots of stories about them all!

Kayo would settle in to chat, and we would gab for hours. He would talk about growing up living with Charles Marion & Martha Jane, after his mom, Connie, died. Some of the stuff Kayo did! And the whippings he got for doing it! Kayo would tell me about how their teacher, Walter **KNICELEY**, would punish any fractious kids, then would make you tote a note home to your folks, where you would get another whupping. Kayo said it just wasn't fair.

And Wandel & Sandy were so much help. Wandel is pretty knowledgeable of the family and the area, and he gave up his time to hang out with us, showing us everything, being dragged all over the countryside. Sandy was so nice to let us take him away for all those days.

We started out with a March journey by my folks up to Braxton. A visit to a childhood buddy was marred by a freak accident, injuring both Dad and his pal, Parsh. Luckily, nothing serious, but it sure put a damper on the rest of the weekend. My folks wandered the countryside with Cam and cousin Wandel in tow, visiting cemeteries, kinfolk, and exploring. At the first stop, they discovered they had left the film at home, so a quick trip to the nearest store (at 6 times the price) was needed immediately. They went to Morgantown to see Artie McLean **MAYSE**, widow of Dad's cousin, Budge **MAYSE**. Budge and his brother Fudge were the **MAYSE** Brothers and they were part of the original cast of the WWVA Jamboree back in the 30's.

In April, we all met down there, me, my folks, my uncle Cam, and my aunt Dood. We hit the cemeteries some more, venturing over

to Green Hill, where records show that my great-great grandfather is buried. There was no stone, just the grave. We have corrected that flaw, and there is now a stone marking Jonathan Calvin **MALCOMB'S** gravesite, so future generations will be able to more easily find him!

One of the graves I was most anxious to find was that of Gertie Pickens **LAKE**, my great-grandmother. Gertie had died in 1908 when my gramma was 7 months old. No one knew where she was buried. However, great-grandfather George Lake had remarried after Gertie died and there were 2 of those children living in the area. My darling Uncle Cam got the phone numbers of both for us, thus putting us into contact with my aunt Pearl and my uncle Lawrence. During subsequent phone conversations, Pearl assured me she knew where Gertie was buried and would be glad to take us there.

So on a muggy, rainy day in April, we met up at Pearl's house, for a flurry of picture taking of one and all, and then a caravan to the cemetery. As anyone familiar with the area will be quick to tell you, if you aren't right in a town, you are, literally, in the middle of nowhere! This little piece of nowhere is called Duffy. A beautiful area, lots of mountains and lots of trees. We drove up the driveway and were met at the top by several very large, very loud, dogs, and the former caretaker of the Pickens Cemetery. He got us all turned around and took us up the back way, due to all the rain having flooded out the front way. We all drove up the side of this mountain. There were about 7 cars in this caravan. At the top, the guy took down a section of the barbed wire fence for us, and we lit out walking, across what I call the cow-patty pasture. Up and down, slipping in the mud and muck. It was about ½ mile or thereabouts.

We finally made it, and started checking out the various tombstones and markers. Ma was first to find George Lake, and right next to him was Gertie! A flurry of photos, notes being written, and we headed back to the cars. The cemetery was a gold mine, being the Pickens family's, and having Gertie's folks, siblings, and various other of her direct line, in addition to some Malcomb's from further back, where the line had previously connected.

Wandel took us upriver (or downriver, onto the river, whatever!) and took us to the old homestead where my dad and his siblings had been born and raised. Then across the river to where Charles & Martha had called home. Some of the old fenceposts were still standing, the blocks the houses sat on, the old wells that the

government had filled in when they took over the land. I did want a picture of the apple tree that Kayo picked the apple from that he hit old Martha Jane right between the eyes with 60-odd years ago, but no such luck! I did get a picture of the old cellarhouse where Dad had stepped on the copperhead, though.

All too soon, our weekend was over and we all had to head home. But we had scouted the area and I immediately called and reserved the pavilion at Bee Run for a gathering in June.

So we all headed back to Braxton for the gathering. We arrived a few days early, to allow us to revisit Gertie's gravesite, to retake the pics that hadn't come out from the first trip. This time, however, I had done my homework, and we went with whipped cream in hand! Wandel assured us he knew how to find the cemetery again, so off we went. A repeat of the cow-patty pasture, although this time, with the grass all grown up, we could hear things slithering through the grass behind us! Once Wandel was sure we were all set, he took off, to meet my folks and Kayo over to Newville Cemetery.

Barry and I settled down to smearing whipped cream onto the stone, wiping off the excess, trimming the grass, and putting the flowers around, and then pictures were taken from several angles. (This batch turned out fantastically!) That accomplished, we turned to the other stones. We read all the inscriptions into the tape recorder, took a few more pictures, and heard a crashing thru the bushes. I thought, oh no, it's the owners of the land and they are gonna shoot us for trespassing! But what came out of the trees was 3 cows! I said where is the bull, but we didn't see one. It was with quaking heart that we left the fenced-in ground of the cemetery.

Barry wired the gate back shut. The cows were standing about 15 feet away, 2 big mama cows and a yearling-sized calf, which was somewhat boisterous-acting! Well, now, being city folk, we weren't real sure exactly what we should do. Should we go back into the cemetery and call for help on my cell phone? Would my cell phone even work? If they turned mean, could I jump the fence to the cemetery while they mauled Barry? Would Barry last long enough to give me the time to get over the fence? If the cell phone didn't work, would Dad miss me when I never showed up back to the hotel? Were there worse things waiting to get me in the cemetery? These were my thoughts.

I mean, it's not like we came face to face with cows on a daily basis. Or ever before, for that matter! Barry started talking to them,

and the biggest one decided she was quite taken with him and came over to be petted. The little one was kicking up its hind legs. I was eyeing up the fence. Finally, Barry said we should just start walking. I wondered if cows were like bears and if we dropped and played dead, if they would go away and leave us alone. We started walking. We got to the halfway point. Chivalry had obviously died a piece back, as Barry was a good 40 feet in front of me! He turned. I asked if they were following. They weren't. We hot-footed it back to the car. I was like to die of a heart attack by the time I was slipping thru the barbed wire fence.

Everyone got a big kick out of our adventure, and we were told that everybody knows cows are people-critters and not likely to harm us. Well, everyone doesn't know that, as we certainly never had been told it!

All I can say is, it's a good thing this batch of pics came out as I don't plan on making the trek through the cow-patty pasture ever again!

Sunday finally arrived and we headed over to the pavilion. We expected maybe 50 folks to show up, it being such short notice. To our surprise, about 200 folks showed up. To say we were overwhelmed is to put it mildly. Doll (Maxine Taylor Gillespie **FACEMIRE**) came, and Wandel's son and his brother, Danny, toted her down to sit with us all down by the pavilion. Wandel's whole crew showed up, my aunt Dood with son Randy and his wife, my uncle Cam and his wife. Folks from other of the **MALCOMB** lines. There were folks all over the place! We have it on video and let me tell you, it was LOUD! Some folks brought pictures for us to copy, others wrote information out for us. Everyone had a great time.

We met Lee **MALCOMB**, the older of Roy B's kids, and his son and granddaughter. Lola "Dicky" **MALCOMB**, widow of Charles "Bud" **MALCOMB** came with some of that line, bringing pictures of Bud and that generation. Betty O'DELL, a descendent of the Robert Floyd **MALCOMB** line, was there with her husband. Peggy **GAINER**, also of that line, was there with her sisters. Some folks came just because they had grown up with my dad and his siblings and cousins. Kayo's half-sisters were there. It was quite a gathering!

Parsh **RHEA** came and stayed the day. Thuro **WILLIAMS**, Wandel's mother's brother, also came. He was quite entertaining to

listen to, as he related stories about Wandel's dad, Buck, and the others.

Kayo and Beverly came in from S. Dakota for the occasion, and Kayo brought along a photo from about 1940 or so that was of all the kids in the school. So we ended up with a pic of my dad, aunt Neva, uncle Bub, and aunt Dood, all when they were just little kids. This was quite a treat, as their house burned down in 1944 so there just aren't any photos of any of them prior to that date. And not much after that date, either, for that matter!

My aunt Pearl and uncle Lawrence also came and spent the weekend hanging out with us. I suspect Pearl was glad to have missed the 2nd cow-patty pasture adventure!

The day after the gathering, we all went up to Weston to visit with Pearl. They had an old hand plow out back, which was primary in a story long told by Dad to us kids, about Kayo pushing them around the house on the overturned plow, and running over my gramma's chickens. Well, nothing would do but that Dad and Kayo had to reenact the tale of the hand plow! Dad was quite put out that we couldn't come up with any dead chickens to squash with it!

One of the first things Artie **MAYSE** said to me on the phone was how she always thought my dad, Lane, was just as cute as the dickens. Well, to give you an idea, my brother, when I told him what Artie said, replied "Cute as the dickens? Looks like a wild man to me!" After I sent the invitations out, I got a phone call from Beatty Taylor **BALLEW**. Her first words were, "Whose daughter are you? The cute one's?" I allowed as how I was Lane's daughter, and she said, "Yep, he was just as cute as the dickens. When we were kids, he always told me how we were gonna get married when we grew up." And at the gathering, one of Kayo's sisters asked if I was Lane's daughter. When I said I was, she giggled and said they just always thought Lane was as cute as the dickens! Sort of gives a person a whole new perspective!

We had terrific times, and terrific adventures, as we traipsed around central West Virginia. Dad got to show us all the places he used to talk about (except the ones now under water, of course!) and visiting those places brought back to his mind more stories to tell us.

Which John GIBSON?

by Lora SELLERS



Front row - Adaline Gard **GIBSON** (wife of Asa **GIBSON**), Smith **GIBSON** (son of James W. **GIBSON** and Nancy Smith), Emily Jane Standley **GIBSON** (second wife of Smith **GIBSON**), Asa **GIBSON** (son of Smith **GIBSON** and Rebecca Ocheltree). Back row - Cornelia Dewhirst **GIBSON** (wife of James Albert **GIBSON**), James Albert **GIBSON** (son of Smith **GIBSON** and Rebecca Ocheltree)

Picture supplied by Wathada J Thomas.

Nicholas **GIBSON** was born about 1765 (though this is under debate), in Pennsylvania. Most people believe that he was born in Lancaster County, which is probable, since the majority of the state was in this county at the time.

Here is where some debate comes in. According to Captain Henry E. **CUMMINGS**, who wrote the book **GIBSON's Patriots Soldiers Pioneers**, Nicholas' parents were General John **GIBSON** and Ann **SHIKELLAMY**.

General John **GIBSON** was born May 23, 1740 in Lancaster, PA, the son of George **GIBSON** and his wife Martha **DEVINES** (also spelled **DEVINEY** or **DEVINER**). John was known as an Indian trader and Revolutionary War Patriot. When he was about 23, he was scouting or fighting in Pontiac's War and was captured by Mingo Indians. The only thing that saved him from being killed was the

compassion of an old Indian woman, who had lost her son when he was killed by whites. While living with the tribe, he came to know the Oneida Chief Shikellamy (also known as Swatana) who was also in charge of the Iroquois Confederacy. He may possibly be part French, as many people think his father was French and mother was Cayuga. Shikellamy had at least four children who were known by English names: Chief John **LOGAN** (Tachnechdorus), Chief James **LOGAN** (Tahgahjute), Ann Shikellamy and Rachel Shikellamy. His daughter Ann's mother was a Cayuga Indian. According to Cummings and others, John and Ann married and had Nicholas **GIBSON**. According to the book Indian Blood Volume 1 by Richard **PANGBURN**, John was taken prisoner in 1763 and released to General Henry Bouquet in 1764. He also states that John's wife was Chief Logan's sister-in-law. Ann was killed during the Yellow Creek Massacre, along with Logan's family, by Daniel **GREATHOUSE** and his cohorts. Pangburn mentions that the only survivors of the Massacre were Logan, who was away at the time, and John's son by his Indian wife. At this time, Nicholas was kidnapped by Indians, who kept him anywhere from two to ten years, depending on the source. Nicholas reportedly had his ears and nose pierced during his stay with the Indians.

If General John **GIBSON** is really Nicholas' father, then it is no wonder that Nicholas fought in the Revolutionary War. This John **GIBSON** commanded the 7th, 9th and 13th Virginia Regiments under George Washington. He was also at Valley Forge with Washington, and by the end of the War, he had been promoted to Brigadier General. He also captured Fort Pitt from the French during the French and Indian War. Thomas **JEFFERSON** appointed him Secretary of the Indiana territory in 1800, where he proceeded to act as Governor for a short time during 1812-13, while William Henry **HARRISON** was away. As well, since John knew some of the Indian languages, he was named an Indian agent, and the Indians would request that John be the liaison between them and the whites. As well, John's brother George was well known for being an Indian interpreter and Colonel in the Revolutionary War. John **GIBSON** died at the home of his son in law, George Wallace and is buried at Allegheny Cemetery in Allegheny Co, PA. According to Richard **PANGBURN**, his will was written February 8, 1822 and probated February 24, 1825. In his will, he lists his wife Mary, daughters Mary, Esther and Elcy, sons Joseph, John, James, Hugh and Elezer and was witnessed by James **WEIR** and Evan

BARRICKMAN, with his son Joseph **GIBSON** being the executor. If he was the father of Nicholas, why is he not listed in the will? Did his father call him by another name or was he not Nicholas' father?

Another possibility is that Nicholas' father was a John **GIBSON**, who died after Indians killed his wife and all of his children, except for Nicholas, who was kidnapped by them and forced to live with them. This family may have lived at Sugar Creek, near present day Beverly WV. The proof of this is in a listing in Randolph County court documents, dated February 22, 1790, where a 12 year old orphan, Nicholas, was bound to William **GIBSON** until he reached age 21. However, that would make Nicholas' birth year 1777. This makes Nicholas' service in the Revolutionary War impossible, considering that it is assumed that he served under Captain Skidmore in the Virginia Militia, one source mentioning the date of March 1, 1781. If he did not serve in the War, then the Revolutionary War marker which marks his grave is incorrect.

Nicholas married Lydia **SINK** (or **SINKS**) around 1795, most likely in Lewis County. He lived in Randolph County and was the Captain of the County Militia in 1806, Representative to the Virginia Assembly in 1807 and Commissioner of the Revenue before moving to Harrison County, which later changed to Lewis County, then later on to Braxton County. He owned land on Salt Lick Creek and served in several public offices before moving to Onley, Illinois in 1849. George **LOUGH**, Nicholas' friend and father to Nicholas' son-in-law and daughter-in-law, had moved to Illinois in 1842, according to Cummings. When Nicholas and Lydia moved, several of their children went with them. Nicholas died June 5, 1858 in Richland County, Illinois, while Lydia, who was born in 1773, died March 14, 1857. They are both buried at Wesley Cemetery in Clay County, Illinois.

Nicholas and Lydia's children were:

- 1) James W. **GIBSON** was the oldest of Nicholas and Lydia's children. He was born March 19, 1796 and died July 22, 1877 or July 6, 1873, in Richland County, Illinois. He first married Nancy **SMITH** (parents unknown) around 1813, and she died around 1849. They had: Emily (m. Benjamin Willard **WILLIAMS**), Elmira, Catherine, Mary Ann (m. Jacob **SHULER**), Amy, Elijah **SQUIRES** (m. Rosanna **COGAR**), Permilia, Temperance (m. Sampson **FRIEND**), Mason (m. Mary Ann **STANLEY**), and Smith (m. Rebecca **OCHELTREE**,

then Emily **STANDLEY**). James then married Patience **OCHELTREE** (born July 10, 1827 and died January 27, 1888) on March 6, 1849, daughter of Alexander Jr. and Rebecca Blake **OCHELTREE**. They had: Emery (m. Delila **WYATT**), Nancy Jane, Elizabeth and Harrison.

- 2) Jacob **GIBSON**, who was born in 1798 and died January 5, 1895 in Richland Co, Illinois, married first Rachelle (last name unknown), then married Eva **LOUGH** on July 3, 1817.
- 3) Prudence **GIBSON** was born April 17, 1800, and died September 2, 1883 in Richland Co, Illinois. She married Peter **LOUGH** on December 25, 1816 in Harrison Co, WV. Peter was born February 3, 1790 and died April 26, 1860 in Richland Co, Illinois, and was the son of George **LOUGH** and Maria Magdalena **SIEHL**.
- 4) Elizabeth **GIBSON** was born June 12, 1803 and died October 14, 1894 in Braxton Co, WV. She married Elijah Hedding **SQUIRES** on July 18, 1821. Elijah died August 28, 1858 at the age of 71. An interesting note is that on Elizabeth's death record (when she died of Old Age at 91) her parents were listed as Nicholas and Elizabeth **GIBSON**, with the information being submitted by her son-in-law, J.W. **BERRY**.
- 5) John W. **GIBSON** was born September 21, 1807 and died February 1, 1895. He married Doris or Dorcas **RICE** on December 23, 1828.
- 6) Temperence **GIBSON** was born around 1810 and died in 1880. She married Charles H. **BYRNE** on January 30, 1826. He was born October 7, 1802 and died October 2, 1878 in Wilsonburg, Illinois.
- 7) George **GIBSON** was born in 1812 and died in 1845 in Edwards Co, Illinois. He first married Martha Ann **CHENOWETH** on December 22, 1836, and then married Emsey **LOUGH**, the daughter of George **LOUGH** and Maria Magdalena **SIEHL**.
- 8) Robert **GIBSON**, born in March of 1815, died April 9, 1885. He married Mary Elvina "Polly" **TAYLOR**.
- 9) William **GIBSON**, born 1818 died on July 14, 1851. He married Nancy (or Anna) **HIGGINS**, daughter of Ransom **HIGGINS**, on April 19, 1838 in Edwards Co, Illinois.
- 10) Mary **GIBSON** (who married Robert **COLLINS** on September

21, 1828), Frances **GIBSON** and Martha Ann **GIBSON** are also possibly children of Nicholas and Lydia. not much is known about them.

If anyone has pictures of James W. **GIBSON** or any of his children, we would love to have a copy.

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Anne accompanied him and her parents to America. They were members of John **WINTHROP'S** party, the first settlers on Massachusetts Bay and they sailed on the flagship, Arbella. The party arrived "in June at the half-dying, famine-ridden frontier village of Salem, after a journey of 3 months of close quarters, raw nerves, sickness, hysteria and salt meats," wrote Anne. At first dismayed by the rude life of the settlement, she soon reconciled herself to it. "I changed my condition and was married, and came into this country, where I found a new world and new manners, at which my heart rose. But after I was convinced it was the way of God, I submitted to it and joined to the church at Boston."

Nine Generations after the Flagship Arbella landed on Massachusetts Bay, John Bee **DAVIS** was born (1867-1950) in Doddridge County, West Virginia. He married Florence Virginia **DYE** on December 24, 1891. John Bee was a tall, slender, gentle man who fathered six girls and 7 sons. They spent most of their married life in Harrison County on Lambert's Run and Crooked Run. After his wife died in 1946, John Bee relocated to Detroit, Michigan where he lived with and near several of his sons who had migrated to Detroit during the depression years of 1932-1940. John Bee **DAVIS** died in Clarksburg, W.Va. at the home of his daughter Mable **FRUM** in 1950, age 83. From 1630 to 1950, John Bee's ancestors of nine generations is just one example of the many connections and contributions made by our pioneers in the development of this Country.

Nehemiah SQUIRES

of

Preston County

His Ancestors & Siblings

By Joy L. GILCHRIST-STALNAKER

"Nehemiah **SQUIRES** came (to Preston County, WV) at an early day from Loudoun County" (VA), according to S. T. Wiley's *History of Preston County (West Virginia)*. More specifically, Nehemiah **SQUIRES**, the subject of this sketch came from the Dutch settlement area around Broad Run Church in Cameron Parish, Loudoun County, which is called Waxpool Road today. He was the son of Thomas **SQUIRES** and his second wife, Nancy Anne **TOLLE**, and the step-son of John **PILES**, another Preston County pioneer.

The origins of Thomas **SQUIRES** of Loudoun County appear on Ancestry.com with the claim being that the line goes to one Jonathan **SQUIRES** of St. Marie's (St. Mary's) Citie, Maryland. **SQUIRES** have been found in the earliest day of Virginia, Maryland and New England. Some came directly from England; others were Scots-Irish.

Land in early Virginia was not sold to individuals; it was granted in large parcels by the English kings. In 1681, the 21st year of the reign of Charles II, the "Northern Neck" of Virginia was granted to Lord Halifax and others. In 1688 the patent was sold to Thomas Lord Culpepper. The country granted was:

"All that entire tract of land, lying and being in America, and bounded by and within the heads of the rivers Tappahannock, alias Rappahannock, and Quiriogh, alias Potomac river, the course of said rivers as they are commonly called and known by the inhabitants, and description of their parts and Chesapeake Bay."

This immense estate included Virginia counties of Lancaster, Northumberland, Richmond, Westmoreland, Stafford, King George, Prince William, Fairfax, Loudoun, Fauquier, Culpepper, Madison, Shenandoah, and Frederick; and West Virginia counties Jefferson,

Berkeley, Morgan, Hampshire, Hardy, Mineral, Grant, and a portion of Tucker.

When Culpepper died, the estate passed to his only child Catherine, wife of Thomas, fifth Lord Fairfax, from whom it descended to their eldest son, Thomas, sixth Lord Fairfax. Robert "King" **CARTER** was named agent for the Fairfax claims; he also was a prominent and wealthy man in his own right. At his death, his son Robert **CARTER**, Jr. inherited the 300,000 acre estate and 1000 slaves.

Some records have been found for Thomas **SQUIRES** in Fairfax County, VA, (parts of which later became Loudoun County), including being listed on the tithables list of Rev. Charles Green with 1 white tithable and 1 black in 1749;¹ and having a lawsuit against him by John **FLINN** in 1754². However, the first business transaction found for Thomas **SQUIRES** has been a lease "between Robert Carter of Westmoreland County and Thomas **SQUIRES**" for 176 acres of land on Goose Creek in Cameron Parish in 1755.

The transcribed deed, as recorded in Fairfax County Deed Bk D, Part I, pages 215-217, follows in it's entirety.

*This indenture made the sixteenth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and fifty five Between Robert Carter of Westmoreland County of the one Part and Thomas **SQUIRES** of the other Part witnesseth that the said Carter for and in consideration of the ___ and covenant herein after reserved and on the Part of the said **SQUIRES** mentioned to be paid and performed hath demised granted set and to form letter and by the Presents doth demise grant set and to form let unto the said **SQUIRES** one seventy six acres of land with the appurtenances except all Mines Minerals and Quarries whatsoever lying and being in the Parish of Cameron in the County of Fairfax on Goose Creek being part of a land 11000 acres and called the Goose Creek tract and bounded as followeth viz beginning at a n_ut on Goos Creek at the ford Corner to Stepehn Lee thence N 53E 53 Poles to a white oak thence N 8 (degrees) 39 Poles to a white oak marked RC thence N 77 (degrees) E 150 Poles to a red oak thence South 16 Poles to a red oak S 33 (degrees) W 86 Poles to a white oak on the Creek thence up*

¹Beth Mitchell, 1224 Stoneham Court, McLean, VA 22101

²Fairfax County Court Order Book, Fairfax, VA

the said Creek to the beginning being In all 176 acres of land and no more. To have and to hold the said land and premises except as before excepted to the said and his Assigns for and during the natural lives of Thos **SQUIRES** Mary **SQUIRES** Wife and John **SQUIRES** Oldest (?) son and for and during the natural life and lives of the longest liver of them: Yielding and Paying therefore yearly and every year from date ____ to the said Carter his Heirs and Assigns at his house in Westmoreland County. And it it shall happen the said yearly rent of two Pounds fifteen shillings or any Part thereof should be behind and unpaid by the space of sixty days after the days and Place aforesaid appointed for the Payment thereof that then and In that case it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Carter his heirs and assigns into and upon the said land and Premises to reenter and the same to ____ maintain retain and enjoy as of his or their former estate this and the said **SQUIRES** for himself his Executors Administrators and Assigns doth covenant promise and agree to and with the said Carter his heirs and assigns b ____ Presents in manner following that is to say the said **SQUIRES** or his Assigns shall and will within ____ years after the date of these Present build upon the Premises a good dwelling house twenty feet by ____ and a house thirty feet by twenty good as common Tobacco house and Plant fifty Apple trees and fifty Peach trees and the same inclose with a lawful fence and from time to time and at all times during the said term well and sufficiently maintain and keep all and singular the Me ____ buildings and Fences which are to be built or at anytime during the said term shall be upon the demised Premises in good and sufficient repair and at the end or sooner Determination of the Term aforesaid will so yield up and leave the same to the said Carter his Heirs and Assigns and the said **SQUIRES** for himself his heirs and Assigns doth covenant and agree to and with the said Carter his heirs and Assigns that one of the best springs an the demised Premises be tree for any family or families convenient to it not to the prejudice of the said **SQUIRES** or his Assigns. And the said **SQUIRES** and his Assigns shall not at any time during the said term the leave

or licence of the said Carter his heirs or Assigns or his or their lawful Attorney or Attorneys first obtained in writing work or cause or suffer to be worked the demised Premises with more than two laboring Hands that is to say such hands as are generally allowed An Virginia to be full Sharers in a Crop and reckoning so many weaker hands for a Share or laboring hand as a reasonable _____ would and ought at such time to adjudge and esteem them to be. And that the said **SQUIRES** and his Assigns shall not commit nor suffer to be committed any waste upon the demised Premises nor without leave obtained as aforesaid sell and dispose of the said demised Premises or suffer any of the wood and Timber thereon to be disposed of otherwise than for the Buildings and Fences -- and necessary uses of the Plantation or Plantations on the demised premises. And further, that Is shall and may be lawful to and for the said Carter his Heirs and Assigns his and their lawful Attorney or Attornies and his and their Servants and Workmen and every ____ at all times during the Term aforesaid into all or any Part of the demised premises, the dwelling house and other houses and Orchards thereupon being only excepted to enter and there to dig search ____ for any Mines of Stone, Iron, Lead, Copper or other Mine and to have free and their best Benefit of the _____ and for carrying the same away in Carts, Waggons, Carriages, Horses and Oxen from time _____ and to the use and at the Pleasure of the said Carter his heirs and Assigns and that the said Carter his Heirs and Assigns shall And may from time to time have free use of any Part of the lands hereby demised _____ Orchards aforementioned for the laying any of the Mines aforementioned to be gotten in the _____ me and they from time to time making full recompence to the said **SQUIRES** or his Assigns _____ans he or they shall sustain by reason of the digging carrying away or laying any of the Mines aforesaid on any of the demised Premises during the term hereby demised And moreover that whenever tour of the Tenants by declaration in writing under their hands adjudge a Path or Road needful to be made through any Part of the demised Premises it shall and may be lawful for the said

Carter his Heirs or Assigns or his or their lawful Attorney or Attorneys to cause such Road or Path to be cleared by the Persons desiring the same notwithstanding Interruption or Molestation from the said **SQUIRES** or his Assigns. And for Preventing any claim or _____ of Right in him the said **SQUIRES** his heirs or Assigns by reason of the possession at him the said **SQUIRES**, the said **SQUIRES** doth agree to and with the said Carter that it shall and may be lawful for the said Carter to reenter the said land and Premises and the same to hold again retain and enjoy as if this Deed had never been made and the said **SQUIRES** doth further covenant and agree to and with the said Carter that if he shall at any time _____ a Breach or failure of any Part of the above Covenant that then it shall and may be lawful for the said Carter his heirs or Assigns to reenter the said land and Premises and the same to hold again retain and enjoy as if -
----- deed had never been made In Witness whereof the said Carter and the said **SQUIRES** have hereunto interchangeably set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

Robert Carter

Sealed and delivered

In the Presence of

Ja. Lane

Step Lee

Thos Field

The lease, proved in court 20 Apr 1756 by oaths of Stepehn LEE and Thomas FIELD, was made out to Thomas, his wife Mary and son John "for and during the natural life and lives of the longest liver of them". It is further confirmed by records of the Glassford and Henderson trading store at the mouth of the Occoquan River at Colchester, VA, where there is an entry in volume 190, page 193 of the store accounts that "John Hough's account was credited by note from Thomas **SQUIRES** for rent due Carter."³

³Beth Mitchell, research in Library of Congress

The Glassford and Henderson trading post was one of the chain of stores owned by John **GLASSFORD**, a Scottish merchant. In addition to providing the normal mercantile services, the store also served as banker, realtor, loan company, travel agent, tax collector, paymaster and church treasurer. Although the area was fairly well settled, the plantations were wide-spread and the general store provided a common meeting place.⁴

There are other references to **SQUIRES** in the store accounts. Perhaps of most interest are the tobacco marks found for Thomas and his son John.

TJS THOMAS SQUIRES

JJS. TJS JOHN SQUIRES OF LOUDOUN

Figure 1-1. Tobacco marks used by Thomas **SQUIRES** and his son John.

As early as 1686 Virginia law required that planters mark the head and bulge of every tobacco hogshead with the first letters of their given name and their surname. An iron brand was used for that purpose. As the population expanded and tobacco production and trade increased, the brands were modified and in most cases included the first and last initial of the planter, and perhaps some other "whirligig." Tobacco was the usual form of currency and most store accounts were paid with it; consequently, the credit side of store accounts listed payment in tobacco notes and gave the planter's identifying mark.⁵

George **SQUIRES** and Uriah **SQUIRES**, along with Thomas and John, are on the tithables in Loudoun County in 1765. George is in the household of Benjamin **HARRIS** as recorded by J. **MCILHANEY**, and Uriah is on the Nicholas Minor's list.

No further information is found about Thomas' wife Mary; it is believed that she died prior to 1767.

The "probable" family of Thomas and Mary is constructed from the court records already mentioned, from Thomas' will dated 1777, and from circumstantial evidence. We believe their children were:

11. John **SQUIRES**, b. ca 1744, m. Elizabeth **TAYLOR**
12. Uriah **SQUIRES**, m. Elizabeth **TRIGG**
13. Levi **SQUIRES**, m. Mary **CUNDIFF**
14. Sally **SQUIRES**
15. Mary **SQUIRES**, m. William **HANCOCK**
16. George **SQUIRES** b. ca 1750 m. Naomi

⁴National Genealogical Society Quarterly, Vol. 62, p. 258.

⁵Ibid.

The reasoning that Mary died before 1767 is based on the ages of Thomas' children by his second wife, Nancy Ann TOLLE (ca 1740-1796/1800), daughter of Roger and Sarry/Sarah TOLLE, who moved to the Loudoun/Fauquier area between 1764 and 1767.

A marriage record has not been located for Thomas and Ann, but the validity of their marriage is determined by Roger TOLLE'S will in 1778 naming daughter Ann **SQUIRES** (Fauquier County WB 1/390); by Thomas **SQUIRES**' will naming his "loving wife Ann" in 1777 and by Ann's brother Stephen being one of the witnesses to that will; by a 1788 Loudoun County Court Record for John **PILES** and wife Ann, "the late Ann **SQUIRES**" (K/452); and by a deed of distribution in 1787 naming Ann and John **PILES** with her TOLLE brothers in Roger TOLLE'S estate (Fauquier Co. Land Deed 9/457).

Thomas **SQUIRES** is on the tithables of Captain Enos Campbell 13 Aug 1765, with no property except three slaves Sarah, Cate and James. In his will, twelve years later, he leaves his plantation to his widow. No purchases of property have been found for Thomas in Loudoun, Fauquier or Fairfax county records; if he purchased property, the deed was never recorded. It is possible that Ann took the place of Mary in the lease with Carter and he left her the plantation as "the longest liver of them."⁶

In 1770 Thomas is listed on the tithables of Leven Powell, and he turned in twenty squirrel scalps for which he was paid a bounty. The next record found for him was dated 14 Feb 1780, the date his will was admitted for probate. The Loudoun County Court Order Book G/222 has this entry:

*The last will and testament of Thomas **SQUIRES** deceased was prov'd by the oath of James Green Martin, Henry Potten and Stephen Tolle, the witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded. An on the motion of Ann **SQUIRES** the Executrix therein named who made oath according to law, certificate is granted for her obtaining a Probate thereof in due form she security. Whereupon the said Ann with Joseph Moxley and Henry Loyd her securities entered into and acknowledged their Bond in the penalty of Thirty Thousand Pounds conditioned as the Law directs. Ordered that William Whitely, Francis Elgin, Jacob Wildman and John Alexander or any*

⁶Ibid

*three of them being first duly qualified for that purpose do Value and Appraise in current money the Personal Estate (and slaves if any) of Thomas **SQUIRES** deceased and that the Executrix make and return an inventory thereof to the court.*

Thomas had written his will 23 Nov 1777, more than two years before he died. He continued to transact business through the latter part of his life which seem to have resulted in the necessity for his widow to bring lawsuits to settle his estate. The lawsuits took place after her second marriage, to John **PILES**.

An examination of Thomas and his life reveals that he probably had a rudimentary education because he could write his name; he was a planter or farmer farms were commonly called plantations then (he lived in the vicinity of today's Dulles International Airport); he was of sufficient wealth that he felt it necessary to write a will - the poorer people did not make wills; and his table was well supplied.

His will reveals that the family had meat other than wild game - beef, pork, mutton and fowl. They would also have had butter from their cows, lard from their hogs, and tallow for candles from their sheep (many of the people in the region had to rely on bear's grease in lieu of butter, lard, and tallow). They had at least two feather-ticks and bedsteads (signs of the well-to-do), and other household furnishings of some value such as an iron pot and a kitchen table.

A staple food of their day was succotash, with the beans grown among the corn in Indian fashion. Mills for grinding corn were few and far between - the grain was usually broken in a mortar and ground in a grater or hand-mill. There was no ice in the summertime so fruits and vegetables were either eaten fresh or dried for storage.

Items the family could not produce for themselves were purchased at Glassford and Henderson trading post at Colchester.

There were many tasks connected with maintaining a household on a frontier plantation, and Ann was considered fortunate to have slaves to help her. As mistress of the plantation she was responsible for the family and slaves being fed and clothed; she had geese to pluck, candles to make, cloth and blankets to weave. Water was carried from the spring and heated in an iron kettle that swung from the fireplace.

Major jobs such as pulling flax, reaping and shocking wheat were occasions for neighborhood social gatherings. The neighbors and

their children came in; while the men went about the assigned task, the women prepared the harvest-noon feast. At such times the bottom boards and side boards of a wagon, placed in the shade of a spreading tree, were set with implements provided by the housewife and neighbors, and used as a table. There was corn bread or "Jonnycake", which had been baked upon a journey or "Jonny" board about two feet long and eight inches wide - dough was spread over the boards and placed before the red-hot coals in the hearth; when one side was baked, the board was turned and the other side put before the heat. There were also vegetables in season; peaches and apples.

The family attended Broad Run Church which adhered to the tenants of the Church of England and paid tithables to support it. The Church is now gone; a stonehouse (constructed in the 1860's) with a barn and barnyard now stand there. Land for the Church was donated by John **PILES**, Ann's second husband. When Thomas died in 1779/1780, he was probably buried in the cemetery that was next to Broad Run Church, and is now the barnyard. Most of the tombstones were removed or destroyed in the 1930's; a few remain, including some of the Oatyer/Etcher family to whom John **PILES** sold property before migrating to Preston County. There are many depressions in the barnyard, indicative that it once was hallowed ground.

WILL OF THOMAS SQUIRES

Loudoun County, Va., Will Book B, page 319-320.

SQUIRES Thos **Will**

*In the name of God Amen I Thomas **SQUIRES** of Loudoun County planter being in good health and Body and of sound and perfect mind and memory (thanks be to God for it) but considering the uncertainty of this transitory life do make and declare this to be my last Will and Testament in manner and form following (that is to say) First and principally I commend my Soul into the Hands of Almighty God who gave it in hopes of a Joyful Ressurrection at the last day, my Body I commend to the Earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executor hereinafter named and as for such worldly Estate which God of his exceeding bounty has been*

pleased to bless me with my Debts funeral charges and other expenses being first there at duly paid and satisfied I order and dispose of the same as follows viz Imprimus I give and Bequeath unto my loving wife Ann the Plantation whereon I now dwell and the same to be entirely at her disposal in as full and effectual manner as I myself can do at the present and further I bequeath unto her on Negro boy name John Roszell for and during the term of her natural life and after her Decease to be sold and produce to go among my Children likewise two of my Feather Beds and furniture at her choice, likewise her choice of any two of my horses her choice of two Cows and Calves, Six Ewes, two breeding Sows, all my Geese, Item I give and bequeath unto my loving Daughter Sally Thirty pounds Virginia currency Item I give and bequeath unto my loving Daughter Mary Wife to William Hancocke Five shinnings having provided for her before: Item my Will my Will and desire is that all the rest and residue of my estate as well Real as Personal may be sold as soon as conveniently maybe after my decease allowing twelve Months Credit for the same, and the produce thereof to be equally divided amongst all my children (the above said Mary excepted) and I do hereby nominate and appoint my said loving Wife Ann whole and Sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking and disannulling all former Wills by me at anytime heretofore made declaring this and this only to be my last Will and Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twenty third day of November in the Year of Our Lord God One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy seven.

Signed sealed published and declared by the
Testator as and for his only last Will and
Testament in presence of

James Gr n MARTIN
H.J. POTTEN
Stephen TOLEE

Thos s SQUIRES (S.S.)

At a Court held for Loudoun County February the 14th 1780
This Will was Proved by the oaths of James Green Martin,
Henry **POTTEN** and Stephen **TOLEE** the Witnesses thereto
and ordered to be Recorded And on the motion of Ann
SQUIRES the Executrix therein named who made oath
according to Law, Certificate is granted her for obtaining a
Probate thereof in dur form she giving Security Whereupon
the said Ann with Joseph **MOXLEY** and Henry **LOYD** her
Securities entered into and acknowledged their Bonds the
Penalty of Thirty Thousand pounds, Conditioned as the Law
directs.

Teste
Chas Binns

It is believed that Thomas and Ann had three children:

- 17. Nehemiah **SQUIRES**, b. ca 1767/1769, m. Sarah
POLEN/POLAND/POLING
- 18..Reuben **SQUIRES**, b. Jan 1771, m. Ellenor **DAWSON**
- 19. Elizabeth **SQUIRES** (may have married Amos **HAWLEY**)

By 11 Nov 1783 Ann (**TOLLE**) **SQUIRES** was married to John
PILES. On that date John **PILES** and Ann his wife, "Executrix of the last
will and Testament of her late husband Thomas **SQUIRES**" sued John
SPENCER and Manlove **TENNANT**, in the Loudoun County courts to
collect Sixty pounds and Eight Shillings plus forty Shillings in Damage."

John **PILES** (b. 11 Mar 1728/Prince George's County, MD)
was one of seven children of John and Mary (**HUNTER**) **PILES**; his
grandparents were Francis and Mary (Bramal) **PILES** and his great
grandfather was also named Francis. He married Jemima (**WINDSOR**?)
prior to 13 Mar 1746 when their eldest son Elijah was born.

From 1751 through 1764 John and/or Jemima are found in
Fairfax and Loudoun County court records. Jemima is named with John
on an August 1751 deed where they sell 141 acres in Prince George's
Co., MD, part of "Hunter's Field" inherited through his parents from his

maternal grandparents, William and Rebecca Hunter. In the deed John is listed as a carpenter of Fairfax Co., VA.⁷

There must have been a church building in 1764, for John **PILES** served as a sexton of the Broad Run Church in 1764 and received a salary of 400 pounds on 16 November.⁸ However, it was nine years later, on 14 Jun 1773, that John **PILES** and his wife **Jemima** donated "150 perches of land" to the Broad Run Church. John **SINKLER** and John **DAVIS** were trustees when the deed was transacted. (DB 1773 pp 265-267). John and **Jemima** received a patent on 338 acres of land, which they sold in 1765 and bought a larger tract of 600 acres from which he gave the church land.

John remained on this land, giving portions to his children and selling the last of it in late 1790 before going to Monongalia Co., (W.)Va. John and **Jemima/Jamima PILES** had children:

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|-----|-----------------------|---|
| P1. | Elijah PILES | 1/m Hannah , 2/m Henrietta |
| P2. | Patience PILES | m. Robert MCCLAIN |
| P3. | Ruth PILES | m. Charles DAWSON |
| P4. | Sarah PILES | m. Thomas HAWKINS |
| P5. | David PILES | |
| P6. | Hunter PILES | 1/m Christina , 2/m Nancy Fortney |
| P7. | Henry PILES | – unproven |

A genealogy of these children will follow in a later edition of the HCJ.

After John and Ann married they had many dealings with the courts of Loudoun. On 8 Dec 1783 they were plaintiffs against John **LINTON** and Wm **DEBELL** (OB H/194); 12 Jan 1784, plaintiffs against William **MARTIN** & Joseph **MOXLEY** (OB H/199); 10 May 1784, plaintiffs against William **ALLEN** and John **SPENCER** (OB H/298); on 8 Nov 1784 John **PILES** and wife **Nancy** sold 5 acres for 10 pounds to Henry **PILES** (DB O/160-163); 9 May 1786, John **PILES** and Ann his wife were plaintiffs against John Alexander and James Leith (OB I/210); and on 16 May 1788, John **PILES** and Ann his wife (late Ann **SQUIRES**), plaintiffs, against John **ALEXANDER** and James **LEIGH** (OB K452-453).

⁷Pyle, Howard T. and Pyle, Jane Weaver, *The Pyle/Pile Family in America*, (Kokomo, IN - 1981), p. 196

⁸Johnson, page 2

In most of the suits John and Ann sued with Ann described as the executor for Thomas **SQUIRES'** estate; however, research has not turned up the specific reason for the suits.

Meanwhile, John **PILES** was increasing his fortunes. On an undated tax list (1773-1778) he is listed by Francis Lightfoot **LEE** and James **HAMILTON** with 1 tithable. In 1779 he is listed with son David in his household and a Negro Galloway; another list for the same year adds the name of the Negro Prince. By 1782 he is listed by William **STANHOPE** as having David **PILES**, Hunter **PILES**, William **ROBERTSON**, and Negroes Galloway and Cate in his household. It is possible that Cate was the same Cate who belonged to Thomas **SQUIRES**. Finally, on 12 Sept 1785, he is listed with six tithables: Hunter **PILES**, Nehemiah **SQUIRES**, the Negroes Galloway, Rufus and J. Cathrin (Cate) and himself.

John **PILES** apparently began to make plans to move to Monongalia County, now West Virginia, where some of his children and their spouses had gone during the American Revolution when that portion that is now West Virginia was the western outpost of the new nation. In 1796 John and Ann signed a deed (John with a mark, Ann with her signature) that conveyed 12 acres of land for 18 pounds to Peter **OATYER/ETCHER**. The deed was recorded 17 Sept 1796. Ann and John were both present at the signing. (DB X/188). Some problem developed over the boundary lines and the parties were back in court in Feb 1797 when the boundaries were agreed upon. (DB X/320).

John and Ann sold their remaining 300 acres in Loudoun County to John **SPENCER** for 1450 pounds Virginia currency on 20 Mar 1797, which was the land on which they lived most of their married life, and where Nehemiah **SQUIRES** grew to manhood.

Ann did not go to the courthouse to acknowledge the deed; instead, Israel Lacy, James Jennings and Albert **RUSSELL** were commissioned by Charles **BINNS**, Clerk of Courts, to go to her home and obtain the acknowledgement which is the last record of her.

It is unknown whether she died in Loudoun County, or enroute to a new home in Monongalia County, or after they reached their destination. It is certain that she died before 8 Sept 1800 when John **PILES** made his will, because he did not mention her, nor did he mention his daughters or his step-children.

However, his three step-children, as well as two of his sons-in-law, were listed in the estate settlement. It appears that Elijah **PILES**, as

executor of his father's estate, tried to divide the property with some equality among them.

John and Ann (Tolle)(**SQUIRES**) **PILES** had no children.

John **PILES** Will

*In the name of God Amen, I John **PILES** of the County of Monongalia and State of Virginia being weak in body but of sound and perfect mind and memmory blessed be Almighty God for the same do publish this my last will and testament in manner and form following that is to say; first I give and bequeath unto my oldest son Elijah **PILES** one negro woman named Milly and child Daniel to him and his heirs forever also I give and bequeath unto my son David **PILES** one negro man called Spencer to him and his heirs forever and further I give and divided to my son David **PILES** his heirs and assigns the improved part of my land. Whereon I now live and to include of the same survey one hundred and thirty acres also I give and devise to my son David **PILES** one hundred acres of land on the waters of three fork Creek also I give and devise to my son Hunter **PILES** his heirs and assigns forever one hundred and Eighty acres of land to include all his improvement where he now lives and also I devise to my son Hunter one hundred acres of land on the waters of three fork creek also I give and devise to my son Elijah **PILES** his heirs and assigns forever three hundred acres of land on the waters of three fork Creek and lastly as to all the rest residue and remainder of my personal estate goods and chattels of what kind or nature so ever I desire may be sold and all my just debts paid and then the ballance if any to be equelly divided between my three sons namely Elijah David Hunter I hereby appoint Executors of this my last will and testament hereby revoking all former will by me made. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 8th day of September 1800.*

His
John **PILES**
(Seal)
mark

*Signed sealed published & declared by the above named John **PILES** to be his last will and testament in the presence of us who have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses in the presence of the testator.*

John Fairfax, Elias Rice.

*At a Court held for Monongalia County January Term 1801 This last will and testament of John **PILES** was produced in Court and proved by the oaths of John Fairfax and Elias Rice subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded.*

Teste: J. Evans
C.M.C.

Children of Thomas **SQUIRES** (ca 1725-1779/1780) are suggested as:
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11. JOHN **SQUIRES** b. ca 1744, probably Fairfax Co., VA; m. Elizabeth **TAYLOR**,¹⁰ daughter of George **TAYLOR**, 3 Sept 1762 in Loudoun Co., VA. Elizabeth (30 Mar 1748/Loudoun Co.-8 Mar 1840/Salt Lick, Braxton Co., now WV)-is buried in the **SQUIRES** Cemetery at Flatwoods, Braxton Co. At the age of 77, she rode horseback from her home in Fauquier County to her sons' Asa and Elijah Hedding **SQUIRES** in Lewis County (now Braxton); she was on the road for 19 days. Two books have been written about this branch of the family (**THE SQUIRES FAMILY 1740-1982** by Charles M. **JOHNSON** and **THE TURLEY FAMILY** by Ruth **COLLINS**). Their children were:

Susannah	b. ca 1764; m. John TURLEY 18 Mar 1783,
Fauquier Co.	
Caleb	b. ca 1767; m. Sarah, moved to Kentucky by 1803

⁹The circumstantial evidence that Thomas Squires' children is based on is explained. This information is included here with the hope that readers who have evidence to prove or disprove it will contact the Squires Family Researchers.

¹⁰ The author of this article admits there is a problem with Asa and Elijah Hedding Squires being the children of John Squires since he apparently died at least two years prior to the birth of Asa. She would appreciate any information anyone might have on this branch of the family.

Martin	b. ca 1772, Fauquier Co.; d. before 26 Sept 1814 when his estate was appraised; m. Elizabeth BOWEN/BROWN 9 Jan 1802, Fauquier Co.;
Elizabeth	b. ca 1775, Fauquier Co.; m. Hinson SIMPSON 15 Dec 1802, Fauquier
Peggy	1/m Thomas RECTOR 26 Jan 1799; 2/m Wheatman LEATH 19 Oct 1810, Fauquier
Asa	b. 12 May 1785; m. Sarah C. ESTEP 27 Jun 1803, Fredericktown, MD; buried in the SQUIRES Cemetery in Braxton Co., WV.
Elijah Hedding	b. 1 Jun 1787; 1/m Elizabeth URTON 20 Jan 1807, Loudoun Co.; 2/m Elizabeth GIBSON 18 Jul 1821, Lewis Co., (W)Va.

12. **URIAH SQUIRES** b. before 1748; d. by 23 Oct 1826, Adair Co., KY; m. in 1770 in Bedford Co., VA to Elizabeth **TRIGG**. He is in Loudoun Co., VA in 1765 when he is listed on Nicholas **MINOR'S** tithables; he is back again in 1774 as a witness for John **JONES** against Gilbert **SIMPSON** in court "having attended seven days, received seventy five pounds of tobacco for the same according to law" (OB F/323). In the spring of 1774 he served in Capt. Thomas **BUFORD'S** Bedford County Rifle Company of Volunteers and was with the troops through 10 Oct 1774 and fought in the Battle of Point Pleasant, commonly called the first battle of the American Revolution. In 1782 he again was in Capt. Buford's company. There are land transactions for Uriah and Elizabeth in Bedford County between 1776 and 1816; by 1819 they are in Adair County, KY. One land deed (5/406) is witnessed by William **HANCOCK** (named as a son-in-law in Thomas **SQUIRES'** will, page 7), believed to be a brother-in-law of Uriah. Levi **SQUIRES**, George **SQUIRES**, and Thomas **SQUIRES**, believed to be Uriah's brothers, are also in Bedford County part of the time that Uriah is. In 1820 all four are found on the Adair County, KY census.

13. **LEVI SQUIRES** b. by 1758; m. 13 Mar 1778, Bedford Co., VA. to Mary **CUNDIFF**, with William **HANCOCK** (presumed brother-in-law) as surety. He is still in Loudoun County 30 Apr 1773 when he was a witness for John **GOULDING** against James **GRANT** in the county court (OB F/3), but he is in Bedford County on the 1782 tax list with one poll

and in 1800 with four polls. In 1806 Levi **SQUIRES** and Thomas **SQUIRES** bought 182 acres adjacent to Capt. Board in Bedford County (12/122); the same property was sold 20 Sep 1817 by Levi & Mary **SQUIRES**, and Thomas & Jemima **SQUIRES** (15/296). He is in Adair County, Kentucky on the 1820 census.

14. **SALLY SQUIRES**, named in her father's will written 23 Nov 1777 in Loudoun County (page 7).

15. **MARY SQUIRES**, named as "my loving daughter Mary wife to William **HANCOCKE**" in Thomas **SQUIRES** will. They are in Fairfax County in 1757 when William worked with his father-in-law taking inventory of John **HALLS'** estate (WB B/143); and in Bedford County by 1776 when he witnesses on a land deed for Uriah **SQUIRES**. In 1778 he is the bondsman for Levi and Mary (**CUNDIFF**) **SQUIRES** marriage. In 1793 William Hancock and Levi **SQUIRES** are witnesses on a land transaction when George **SQUIRES** "of Loudoun County" buys 100 acres on Elk Creek in Bedford County. There are also land transactions in Bedford County for William and Mary. They had at least three daughters, named in Bedford County Deed 8/345 when Elizabeth **HANCOCK** presented slaves (given to her by her husband in Loudoun County in 1774) to her granddaughters Nancey, Polley, and Elizabeth, daughters of William **HANCOCK**, all of Bedford County, 18 Nov 1790.

16. **GEORGE SQUIRES** b. ca 1749, calculated because he would have been about sixteen years old when he was counted on the Loudoun County tithables in 1765; wife was named Naome. In July 1773 he was the plaintiff in court in Fauquier Co; in 1773 he was in Loudoun County on the tithables list of Josias Clapham of Cameron Parish. By 1778 he had returned to this father's household and was listed on his tithables; he probably lived there when Thomas died in late 1779. By 1782 he established his own household in Cameron Parish; he had a slave named Jerry, according to William Bronough's tithable list.

George must have had a strong family feeling; he not only returned to his father's household when his father was ill, but on 14 Feb 1785 he undertook the care of his fourteen year old half-brother Reuben **SQUIRES**. The order read, "**SQUIRES** bound to **SQUIRES**. Ordered that the Church wardens of the Shelbourne Parish bind Reuben

SQUIRES aged fourteen years in January last to George **SQUIRES** according to law." (Loudoun Co. OB B/H/445).

In 1793 George followed his brothers and sister to Bedford County, where he bought 100 acres of land on Elk Creek, witnessed by brother-in-law William **HANCOCK** and brother Levi **SQUIRES** (9/282); the same land that George and Naome sold in 1809 (14/173). Naome is unable to travel to the court, so court representatives go to her and she willingly relinquishes her dower rights in the land (14/174).

17. **NEHEMIAH SQUIRES** b. ca 1767/1769; d. 1827 Preston Co., WV; m. Sarah **POLEN/ POLAND/POLING**. His children will be discussed in the next issue of the HCJ.

18. **REUBEN SQUIRES** birthdate Jan 1771 is calculated from the "**SQUIRES** bound to **SQUIRES**" indenture in Loudoun County dated 14 Feb 1785, shown in Figure 1-9. Reuben was eight years old when his father died, and John **PILES** became his step-father in 1782 or 1783. It is believed that George and Reuben were half-brothers. Reuben's term of indenture is unknown, but prior to 1796 he moved to Monongalia Co., now Marion Co., WV, where he purchased 200 acres of land from John **PRICKETT**, son of Capt. Jacob **PRICKETT**. On 17 Nov 1796 the same land was sold to William **ANDERSON** by Reuben and his wife Ellenor (DB 1/143). Reuben's wife was Ellenor **DAWSON**, believed to be a daughter of Charles and Ruth (**PILES**) **DAWSON**, son-in-law and daughter of John **PILES** and his first wife. Ellenor's siblings were Jesse, John, Susannah (m. John **YOUST**), Stephen, George, Ann (m. Elijah **HOULT**), Elizabeth, and Elijah.

In 1800 Reuben was so ill "by reason of Such a weakness of his limbs that Disables him to walk without crutches" that his neighbors John **SMITH**, John **SNIDER**, Andrew **ARNETT**, Paul **MICHAEL**, Robert **FULLERTON**, Jared **EVANS**, and Michael **FOX** petitioned the Monongalia County court to exempt him "from the payment of publick dues because he had no Estate or Incomes to maintain himself, his wife and three Small Children."¹¹ He recovered, fathered several more children, migrated to Brown Co., OH, and later to Johnson County, IN, where he and Ellenor died after 1850.

It is believed that Reuben and Ellenor had at least eight children: Nancy m. John S. **JOLLIFFE**; Elizabeth m. Joseph

¹¹Monongalia Court Records in the W. Va. University, Morgantown, W.Va.

GALLEON; John; Thomas; Nehemiah; Samuel?; a female child; Harvey

19. **ELIZABETH SQUIRES**, named in John **PILES'** estate settlement (page 14), believed to be a sister of Nehemiah and Reuben. May have married Amos **HAWLEY**.

To be continued in Issue 3.

QUERIES ?????????????

1. Looking for parents & other info for Elizabeth **MAY** b 1851, married Anderson "Atch" **CARR** b 1849. They married 11-16-1872. Both were born in Braxton Co. For years I've been looking for info on Elizabeth May **BOGGS** as listed in Don Norman's info BUT marriage certificate lists Elizabeth **MAY** and other sources are listing **MAY** not **BOGGS**. Thanks! Nancy Powers-**BAUMAN** e-mail: momofstorm@yahoo.com
505 Booth Road, Chapel Hill, NC 27516

2. Information wanted on Samuel Ellis **STOUT**, son of Daniel & Jemima **STOUT**. Samuel was born in 1813, married Mary Townsend Oct. 5, 1842. He was a Blacksmith, (as was father Daniel) gunsmith in Lewis, Gilmer, Braxton Co's. (Harrison Co.) He stamped "S. Stout" on the barrels of his Kentucky style rifles. C. E. **DOUGLAS**, 4430 Rochambeau Drive, Williamsburg, VA 23188 e-mail: vmadoug@widomaker.com

3. a) Need descendants of children of Sarah **BARTLETT** m 28 Oct 1819 George **BROWN** 1789-1862: Charles **BROWN** b 1824; John **BROWN** b 1826; Elizabeth **BROWN** b 1827 m Reece **SHAY**; and Mary J **BROWN** b 1831 m James T **FUNK**.
b) What happened to William **BARTLETT** who m 17 mar 1815 Monongalia Co, VA Rebecca **JOHNSON** (daughter of John **JOHNSON**)?

c) Who were the children of Wilson **BARTLETT** b c1786 m 1816 Harrison Co, VA Nancy or Fannie **BERKLEY** (daughter of Benjamin **BERKLEY**)?

d) Who did William Alpheus **COPLIN** b c1808 marry; and who were their children?

e) Looking for any information on the John L **SUMMERVILLE** who married 1810 Harrison Co, VA to Mary Ann **BARTLETT** - trying to track some descendants.

Jim **BARTLETT** 7224 Beacon Ter., Bethesda, MD 20817

jim4bartletts@verizon.net

4. I am looking for any information that any one can give me concerning any of the following family:

ADAM **SMITH** died in Lewis County in 1820 (I would love to find his family and where he was buried.) He married ANNA **CAIN** and I do not know when. I know of at least two children they had who are LEMUEL E. **SMITH** born about 1811 and married 4 times--the first unknown, the second was ELIZABETH **SPROUSE** on March 18, 1872, #3 was MARY ANN **WEBB** on April 22, 1880 and #4 was TABITHA **SANDY** on July 19, 1991. His sister was MARY "POLLY" **SMITH**, born on October 7, 1804 and she married JOSEPH BLACKWELL **BAILEY**, SR. on March 11, 1830 and they had eight children. There are about 5 generations of **HITT** and **BAILEY** family members buried at Mt. Lebanon Church Cemetery, outside Benson, Harrison County, West Virginia including MARY and JOSEPH.

I have pretty extensive information on the **BAILEY** family and the **HITT** family as well. I do know that ANNA **CAIN SMITH** lived a lot longer than Adam as she was his executor. Any help anyone can give me on the **BAILEY**, **HITT**, **SMITH**, or **CAIN** families will be greaciously appreciated. Carlisle **BOWLING**, Zarvon@aol.com, 74 Sanchez Avenue Ormond Beach, FL 32174-5334 386-672-7966

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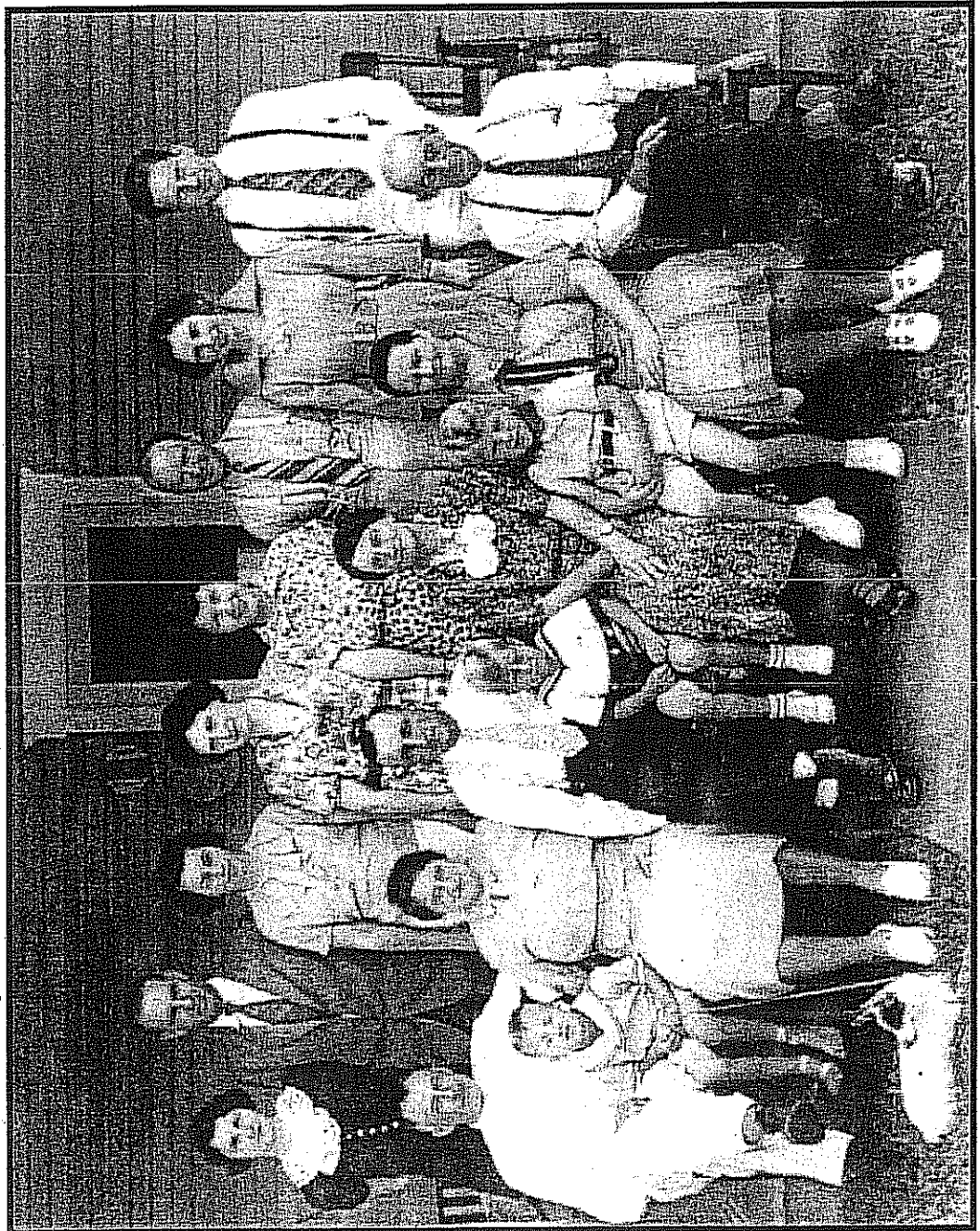
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